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### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Coe Bloomberg on May 12, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 47, "46" has been changed to read --43--.

### ***Conclusion***

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